

(ख) जी, नहीं।

(ग) जी, हाँ।

(घ) सरकार ने लघु उद्योगों के लिए वित्तीय सहायता के प्रवाह को बढ़ाने के लिए केन्द्रीय बजट 1999-2000 में कई प्रावधान किये हैं। ये प्रावधान नीचे दर्शाए गए हैं:-

(1) नई ऋण बीमा योजना की शुरुआत।

(2) मिश्रित ऋण योजना के तहत मिश्रित ऋण की सीमा 2 लाख रुपये से बढ़ाकर 5 लाख रुपये करना।

(3) 20 प्रतिशत की कारोबार मानक अपेक्षा के तहत कार्यशील पूंजी का निर्धारण करने के लिए कारोबार सीमा को 4 करोड़ रुपये से बढ़ाकर 5 करोड़ रुपया करना

(4) गैर-बैंकिंग वित्तीय कंपनियों के लिए अति लघु क्षेत्र को बैंकों द्वारा प्राथमिक क्षेत्र के लिए ऋण देने की सीमा के अंदर शामिल किया जा रहा है।

(5) खाद्य तथा कृषि प्रसंस्करण उद्योग को बैंकों द्वारा प्राथमिक क्षेत्र के लिए ऋण की परिधि में लाना।

उपर्युक्त के अलावा, केन्द्रीय बजट 1999-2000 में कई राजकोषिय प्रोत्साहन भी दिये गये हैं। वे प्रोत्साहन नीचे दर्शाये गए हैं:-

(1) 100 प्रतिशत मोडवेट ऋण की बहाली।

(2) ग्रामीण क्षेत्र की स्थित एककों को ब्रांड-युक्त वस्तुओं के लिए उत्पाद शुल्क में छूट।

(3) सामान्य उत्पाद शुल्क छूट योजना में सूती धागे को शामिल करना।

(4) 1.4.1999 से कास्मोटिक, टालेट उत्पादन, वातानुकूल, रेफ्रिजरेशन उपकरण और इनके पुर्जों के लिए एस.एस.आई. छूट योजना में संशोधन।

(5) चमकदार टाइलों के मुद्रण के लघु छोटे कार्यों में लगे कामगारों को शुल्कों में छूट देनी।

(6) लघु औद्योगिक इकाइयों को मासिक आधार पर उत्पाद शुल्क अदायगी की अनुमति दिया जाना।

Foreign Direct Investment

2062. SHRI VAYALAR RAVI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Foreign Direct Investment increased in 1998;

(b) if so, the details of FDI for the last five years and the area of investment; and

(c) the total applications pending for clearance and the total amount involved⁰

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI SIKANDER BAKHT): (a) and (b) Sir, the details of Foreign Direct Investment made in the last five years from January, 1994 to December, 1998 are as under:—

Amount in Rs. crores

Year	Total FDI made (excluding GDR)
1994	2981.85
1995	6370.15
1996	8744.37
1997	12989.27
1998	13269.21
TOTAL (1994—1998)	44354.85

From Jan. 1994 till Dec. 1998, 55.81% of the total investment has gone into 10 sectors. The list of these investments, Sector-wise is enclosed as statement(See *below*) Remaining 44.19% has gone to other industrial sectors.

(c) Sir, Foreign Direct Investment applications are disposed of in a time bound manner, which is a continuous process.

Statement*Sector-wise Statement of Actual Inflow (from 01.01.94 to 31.12.98)*

		<i>Amt.</i>	<i>Rs. in crore.</i>
S.No	Sector	Amount of Inflow	Percentage
1.	Transportation Industry	3851.74	8.68
2.	Telecommunications	3820.46	8.61
3.	Electrical Equipment	3681.63	8.30
4.	Service Sector	3515.62	7.93
5.	Chemicals (other than fertilizers)	3171.83	7.15
6.	Fuels	2838.12	6.40
7.	Food Processing Industries	1759.98	3.97
8.	Paper & Pulp including paper product	814.55	1.84
9.	Textile (including dyed, printed)	650.11	1.47
10.	Miscellaneous, Mechanical, Engineering	649.33	1.46
TOTAL		24753.37	55.81

Sick PSUs in Bihar

2063. SHRI JANARDAN YADAV: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the names of Central Public Sector Undertakings which have fallen sick in Bihar; and

(b) what steps are being taken for the revival of these units?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH BADAL): (a) As on 31.12.98 there were 6 sick PSUs referred to BIFR having their registered offices in the State of Bihar. Names of these CPSUs are Bharat Coking Coal Ltd. (BCCL), Bharat Refractories Ltd (BRL), Heavy Engineering Corpn. Ltd., India Firebricks & Insulation Co. Ltd. (IF&ICL), Mica Trading Corpn. of India (MTCIL), and Projects & Development India Ltd.

(b) Except for BCCL which has been dropped by the BIFR after its network became positive, BIFR have approved revival plans for all the CPSUs mentioned above. As per the approved

plants, MTCIL has been merged with MMTC and IF&ICL has been merged with BRL. Revival plants for others are at different stages of implementation.

Patenting of Basmati Rice

2064. SHRI RUMANDLA
RAMACHANDRAIAH:
SHRI C. RAMA-
CHANDRAIAH:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether India has taken up the case of Patenting of Basmati rice at WTO against the Texan company of the USA;

(b) if not, the reasons for delay; and

(c) by when it is proposed to be taken up?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI SIKANDER BAKHT): (a) to (c) A patent has been granted to M/s Rice Tec Inc., Texas, USA on Basmati Rice Lines and Grains by the United States Patent Office.

Patents are granted by respective Governments under their patent laws and